

**SUBMISSION OF SIXTH SUPPLEMENTAL REISSUE DECLARATION:**

Submitted herewith is a signed sixth supplemental reissue declaration for consideration by the Examiner.

**ADDITIONAL FEES:**

No additional fees are believed required; however, should it be determined that a fee is due, authorization is hereby given to charge any such fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

**REMARKS**

In the communication dated May 30, 2001, the Examiner rejected claims 22-35 under 35 U.S.C. §251 as being based upon a defective oath. The Examiner indicated that the submission of a supplemental reissue declaration directed to the subject matter of claims 22-35 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.175(b)(1) will overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §251. The Examiner further required a statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.607(4) explaining why claims 22-35 correspond to the count. During a telephone conference on May 30, 2001, the Examiner noted that independent claim 22 does not correspond to the count because the "movable indicating member" is not recited as indicating time. The Examiner further noted that claims 22-35 are otherwise allowable.

In accordance with the present response, dependent claim 23 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of base claim 22.

With respect to the Examiner's requirement for a statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.607(4), applicant agrees with the Examiner that independent claim 22 does not correspond to the count for the reason noted by the Examiner during the May 30, 2001 telephone conference. Additionally, applicant respectfully submits that claims 24, 26, 27, 30, 32, 33 and 34 also do not correspond to the count. However, applicant respectfully submits that claims 23, 25, 28, 29 and 31 correspond substantially to the count as set forth below.

**Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.607(4) Explaining  
Why Claims 23, 25, 28, 29 and 31 Correspond to the Count**

Claims 23, 25, 28, 29 and 31 correspond substantially to the count.

Independent claim 23 is directed to a method of displaying a paging message on an analog display of a timepiece having a movable time-indicating member and requires the steps of receiving a paging message and moving the time-indicating member to a predetermined location to indicate information concerning the received paging message.

Independent claim 28 is directed to a method of displaying a paging message using a timepiece having an analog

display having an indicating member movable to a desired position to indicate time and requires the steps of receiving a paging message and moving the indicating member to a predetermined location to indicate information concerning the received paging message.

The only differences between independent claims 23 and 28 and the count are shown by the following underlined language which is present in the count but either omitted from, or more broadly worded in, claims 23 and 28:

A method of displaying a paging message using an analog watch mechanism that includes a body with marks thereon and a plurality of hands for displaying time, the method comprising the steps of:

- (a) receiving a paging message; and
- (b) moving one of said hands to point to one of said marks to indicate a paging message.

Claims 23 and 28 broadly recite a "timepiece" which corresponds to the watch mechanism in the count, "an analog display" which corresponds to the body in the count, "a movable time-indicating member" (claim 23) or "an indicating member" (claim 28) which corresponds to the hands for displaying time in the count, and the step of moving the time-indicating member (claim 23) or the indicating member (claim

28) to "a predetermined location" which corresponds to the step of moving one of the hands to point to one of the marks on the body of the watch mechanism in the count. Furthermore, it is notoriously commonplace in the analog timepiece art to provide an analog display or body over which at least one movable hand is disposed for the purpose of displaying time. It is also notoriously commonplace to provide marks, such as numbers, on an analog display or body to which the movable hand points for the purpose of displaying time. Thus, these features are not patentable distinctions over the count.

Claim 25 and 31 depend on independent claims 23 and 28, respectively, and include the additional limitation that the timepiece comprises a "watch", which corresponds to the watch mechanism in the count. Claim 29 depends on independent claim 28 and includes the additional limitation that the indicating member comprises an "indicating hand" of the timepiece, which corresponds to the hands for displaying time in the count. Thus, these features are not patentable distinctions over the count.

Applicant further submits herewith a signed sixth supplemental reissue declaration directed to the subject matter of claims 22-35.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of claims 22-35 under 35 U.S.C. §251 has been overcome and should be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that an interference be declared with U.S Patent Nos. 5,329,501 and 5,479,378 as heretofore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 23 has been amended as follows:

23. (Amended) A method of displaying a paging message on an analog display [according to claim 22; wherein the analog display comprises an analog display] of a timepiece[; and wherein the indicating member comprises a] having a movable time-indicating member [of the timepiece.], comprising the steps of:

receiving a paging message; and

moving the time-indicating member to a predetermined location to indicate information concerning the received paging message.